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General Information:

The U.S Environmental Protection Agency's mission is to protect human health and to safeguard the natural environment — air, water, and land. EPA provides leadership in the nation's environmental science, research, education and assessment efforts. EPA works closely with other federal agencies, state and local governments, and Indian tribes to develop and enforce regulations under existing environmental laws. EPA is responsible for researching and setting national standards for a variety of environmental programs and delegates to states, tribes and local agencies (example: Allegheny Heath department) responsibility for issuing permits, and monitoring and enforcing compliance.

Small Business Assistance:

EPA Region 3 maintains a Business Assistance Center (800-228-8711). In addition EPA's headquarters, Washington and Region 3 (Philadelphia), maintains a number of hotlines providing assistance to the regulated community and to the general public. Part of the Pittsburgh satellite offices' mission is to provide an interface for EPA's western Pa's constituencies and generally can be the first line of contact.

Large Business Assistance:

(See above)

Assistance To Schools And Community:

EPA has a strong commitment towards environmental education and harbors a significant number of program resources and support of this philosophy. (See above)